

E-mobility Distinctions

Does it have pedals?

Yes

It's an e-bike.

- No license to operate or plate needed
- Can use bike lanes, including on bridges
- Rider does not have to be pedalling while in motion



No

License plate?

Yes

It's a moped.

- Needs a license to operate and a plate
- Must stay out of bike lanes.



No

Does it look like it weighs over 100 pounds?

No

It's an e-scooter.

- Can be used seated or standing
- No license to operate or plate needed
- May use bike lane, including on bridges



Yes

NOT Street Legal

- No VIN, cannot be registered with DMV



Many micro-mobility devices look similar or are called by the same names, but the differences between them are important. Some require license and registration, and some are not allowed in bike lanes.